

Leptogenesis neutrino mass bound

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Baryon asymmetry of the Universe

- CMB + cosmic rays exclude a baryon symmetric universe with matter- anti matter domains, on scales as large as the whole horizon

(Cohen, De Rujula, Glashow, '98)

- from CMB acoustic peaks (WMAP) + large scale structure (SLOAN):

$$\eta_B^{CMB} = (6.3 \pm 0.3) \times 10^{-10}$$

(Tegmark et al. 2003)


- ... in very good agreement with the determination from SBBN + primordial Deuterium measurements :

$$\eta_B^{SBBN} = (6.1 \pm 0.5) \times 10^{-10}$$

(Cyburt et al. 2001, Kirkman et al. 2003)

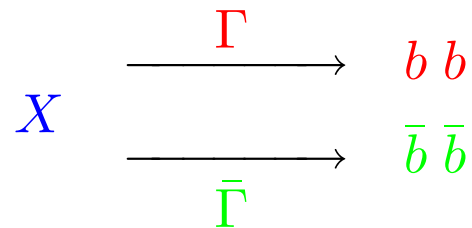
Models of Baryogenesis

- at the Planck scale
- from phase transitions
 - Electroweak Baryogenesis
(Carlos Wagner's talk)
 - * in the Standard Model
 - * in the MSSM
 - * ...
 - ...
- Affleck-Dine
 - at preheating
 - Q-Balls
- from black holes evaporation
- spontaneous baryogenesis
- ...
- from heavy particle decays
 - GUT baryogenesis
 - leptogenesis

- Heavy particle decays
- Seesaw+neutrino mixing data \Rightarrow
 \Rightarrow Leptogenesis
- Leptogenesis+CMB bound \Rightarrow
constraints on seesaw parameters

(in particular on neutrino masses)

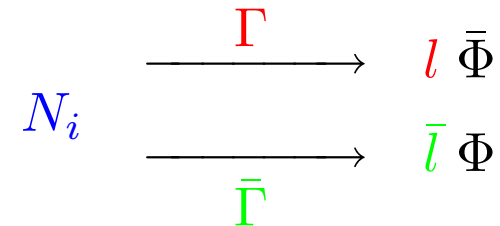
Heavy particle decays

1. A baryogenesis toy model (Kolb, Turner)



$$(B_b = 1/2 \Rightarrow \Delta_{B-L} = +1)$$

2. Leptogenesis (Fukugita, Yanagida '86)



$$(L_l = 1 \Rightarrow \Delta_{B-L} = -1)$$

After sphaleron conversion

(Kuzmin, Rubakov, Shaposhnikov '85; Khlebnikov, Shaposhnikov '88; Harvey, Turner '90):

$$N_B^f \simeq \frac{1}{3} N_{B-L}^f,$$

$$N_L^f \simeq -\frac{2}{3} N_{B-L}^f$$

• CP asymmetry parameter:

$$\varepsilon = \frac{\Gamma - \bar{\Gamma}}{\Gamma + \bar{\Gamma}}, \quad \tilde{\varepsilon} = \varepsilon \Delta_{B-L}$$

• Total decay parameter:

$$\Gamma_D = \Gamma + \bar{\Gamma} = \Gamma_D^{\text{rest}} \left\langle \frac{1}{\gamma} \right\rangle$$

Out of equilibrium decays

$$z = M_X/T, \quad D = \Gamma_D/H z$$

$$\frac{dN_X}{dz} = -D(z) N_X(z)$$

$$\frac{dN_{B-L}}{dz} = -\tilde{\epsilon} \frac{dN_X}{dz}$$

$$N_X^{\text{eq}}(z \ll 1) = 1$$

$$N_X(z) = N_X^i e^{-\int_{z_i}^z dz' D(z')}$$

- Efficiency factor:

$$N_{B-L}(z) = N_{B-L}^i + \tilde{\epsilon} \kappa(z)$$

$$\kappa(z) = N_X^i - N_X(z) \Rightarrow \kappa_f = N_X^i$$

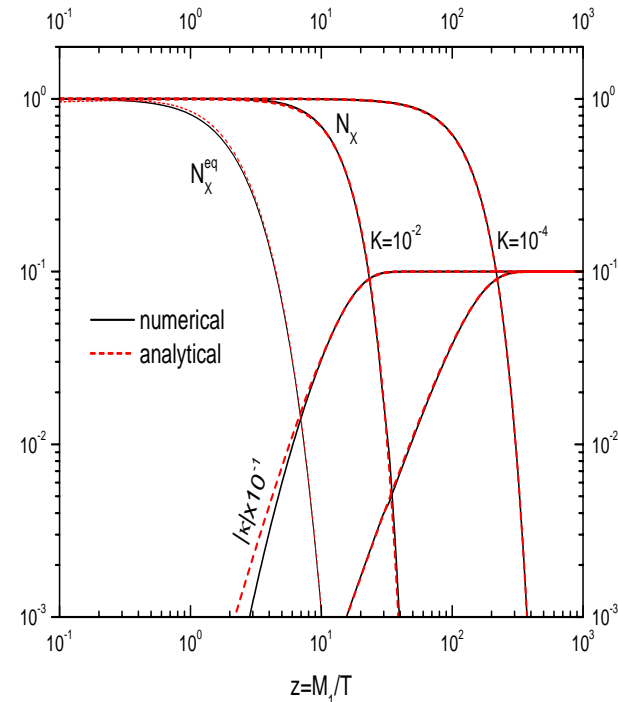
$$N_{B-L}^f = \tilde{\epsilon} \kappa_f$$

$$\eta_B^f \simeq \frac{N_{B-L}^f/3}{N_{\text{rec}}^\gamma} \simeq 10^{-2} \tilde{\epsilon} \kappa_f$$

- Decay parameter:

$$K = \frac{\Gamma_D^{\text{rest}}}{H|_{z=1}} \Rightarrow D = K \left\langle \frac{1}{\gamma} \right\rangle z$$

- Dilation factor: $\left\langle \frac{1}{\gamma} \right\rangle \simeq \frac{z}{z + \frac{15}{8}}$



Decays and Inverse Decays

$$\frac{dN_X}{dz} = -D N_X + D N_X^{\text{eq}}$$

$$\frac{dN_{B-L}}{dz} = -\tilde{\epsilon} \frac{dN_X}{dz} - W_{ID} N_{B-L}$$

$$W_{ID} = \beta \frac{N_X^{\text{eq}}}{N_{b,l}^{\text{eq}}} D \propto K$$

$$N_{B-L}(z) = N_{B-L}^{\text{in}} e^{-\int_{z_i}^z dz' W_{ID}(z')} + \tilde{\epsilon} \kappa(z)$$

$$\kappa(z; K, z_i) = - \int_{z_i}^z dz' \left[\frac{dN_{N_1}}{dz'} \right] e^{-\int_{z'}^z dz'' W_{ID}(z'')}$$

- Weak wash-out regime for $K \lesssim 1$

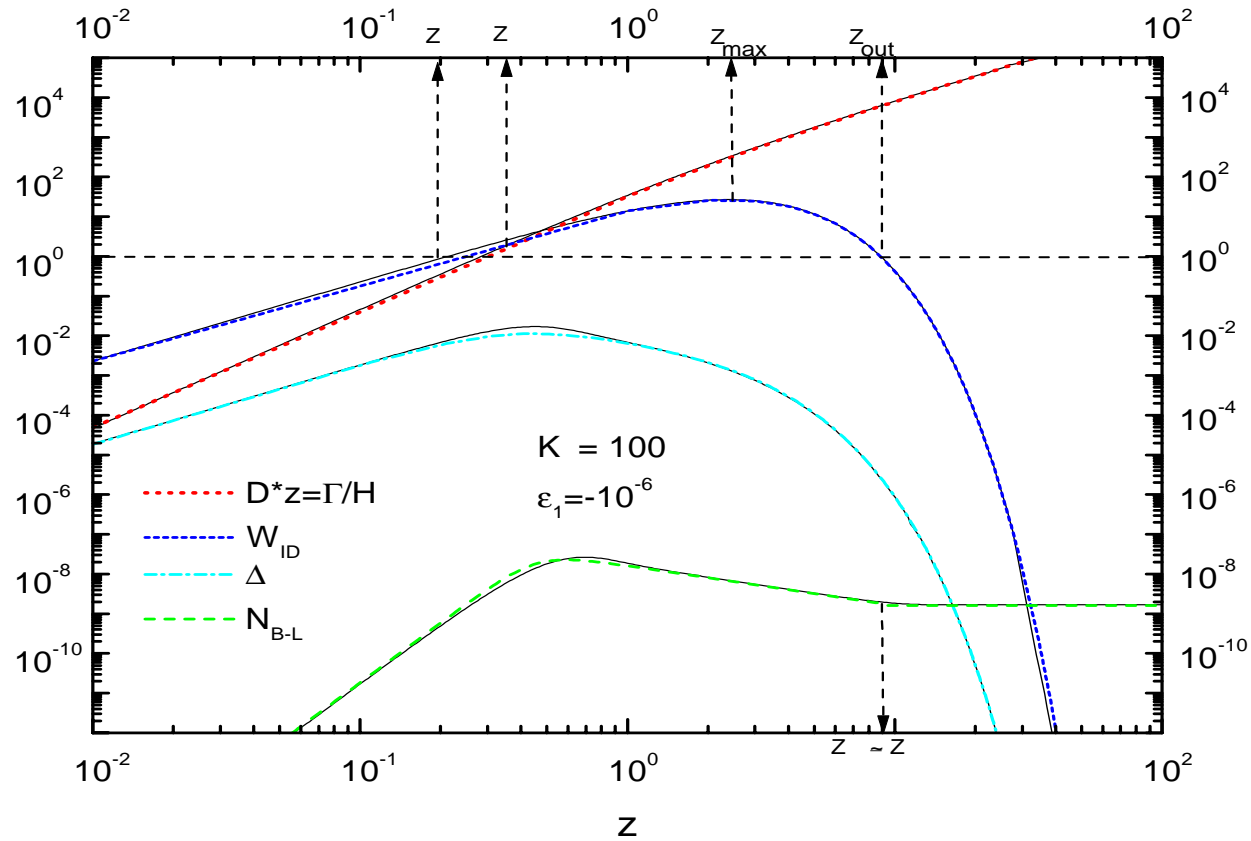
(the out of equilibrium decays picture has to be recovered asymptotically in the limit $K \rightarrow 0$)

- Strong wash-out regime for $K \gtrsim 1$

Strong wash-out regime

$$\Delta(z) = N_{N_1}(z) - N_{N_1}^{\text{eq}}(z)$$

$$N_X^i = N_X^{\text{eq}} = 1$$



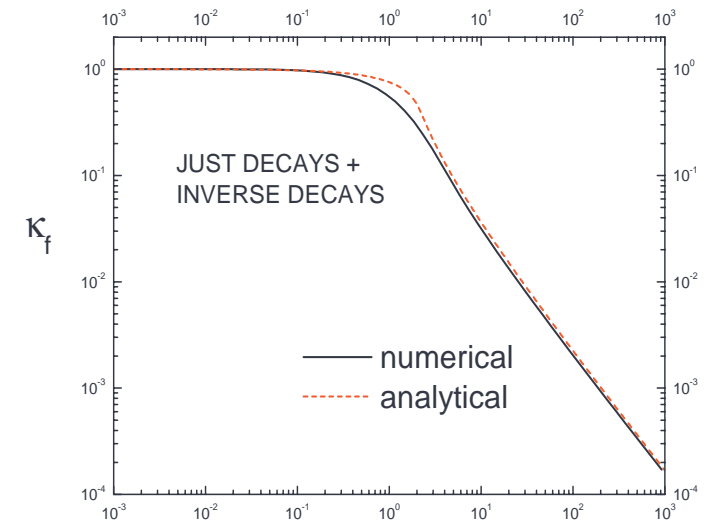
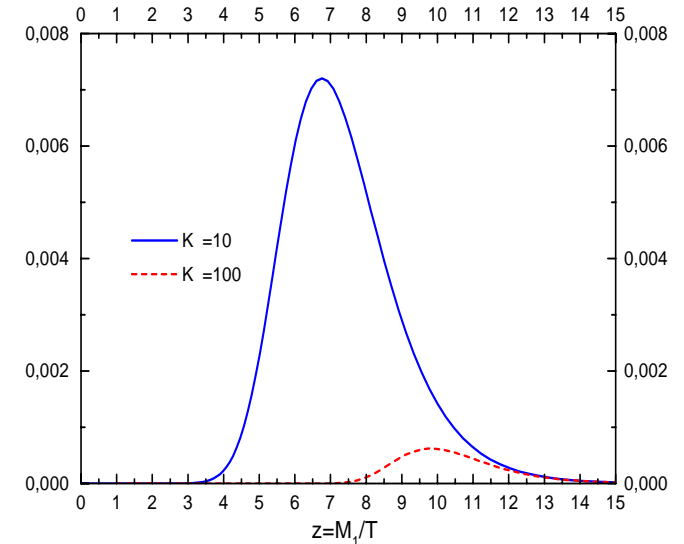
Close-to-equilibrium approximation:

$$\frac{dN_X}{dz} \simeq \frac{dN_X^{\text{eq}}}{dz} = -\frac{1}{2} z^2 K_1(z)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \kappa_f &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\infty dz' z'^2 K_1(z') e^{-\frac{\beta K}{4} \int_{z'}^\infty dz'' z''^3 K_1(z'')} \\ &= \int_0^\infty dz' e^{-\psi(z', \infty)} \quad \text{(Laplace integral)} \\ &\simeq \int_{z_B - \Delta z_B}^{z_B + \Delta z_B} dz' e^{-\psi(z', \infty)} \quad \left(\frac{d\psi}{dz'} \Big|_{z=z_B} = 0 \right) \\ &\simeq \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\infty dz' z'^2 K_1(z') e^{-\frac{\beta K z_B}{4} \int_{z'}^\infty dz'' z''^2 K_1(z'')} \end{aligned}$$

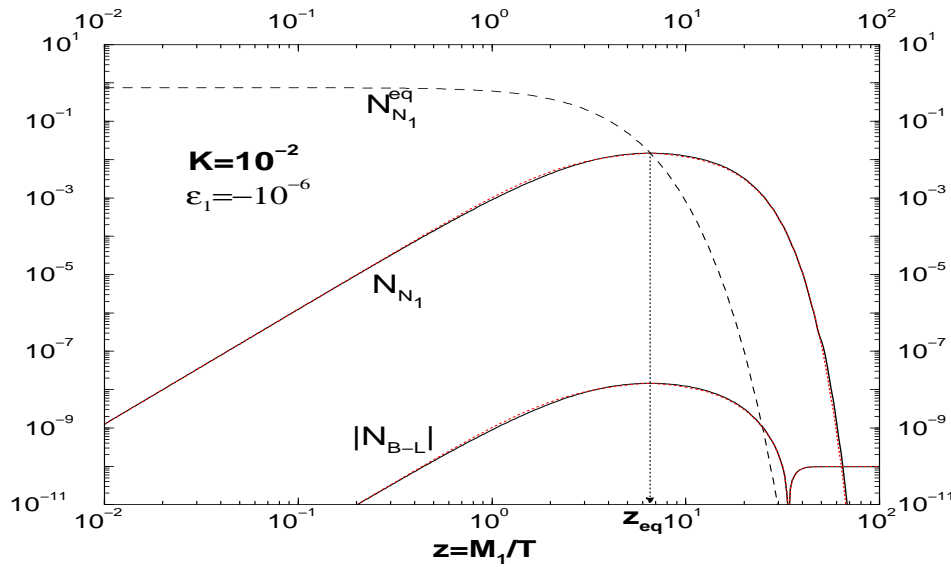
$$\kappa_f \simeq \frac{2}{\beta K z_B} \left(1 - e^{-\frac{\beta K z_B}{2}} \right)$$

Baryogenesis temperature $T_B = \frac{M_X}{z_B}$

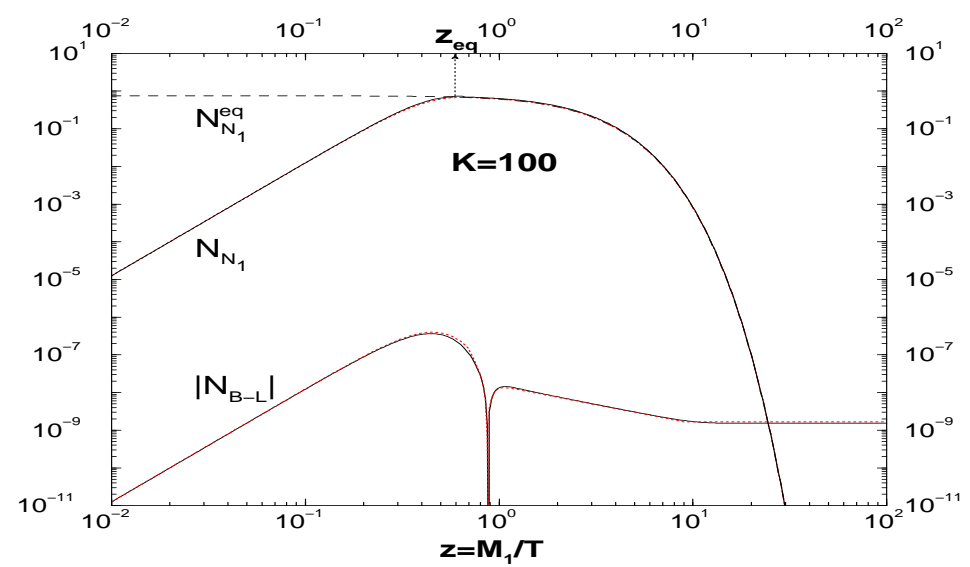


Neutrino production

weak wash-out regime



strong wash-out regime



$$\kappa^-(z) = \int_0^{z \leq z_{\text{eq}}} dz' e^{-\psi(z',z)}, \quad \kappa^+(z) = \int_{z_{\text{eq}}}^{z \geq z_{\text{eq}}} dz' e^{-\psi(z',z)}$$

$$\kappa(z) = -|\kappa^-(z)| + \kappa^+(z) \Leftrightarrow N_{B-L}(z) = -|N_{B-L}^-(z)| + N_{B-L}^+(z)$$

DECAYS+INVERSE DECAYS

Final efficiency factor

(Buchmuller,PDB,Plumacher,04)

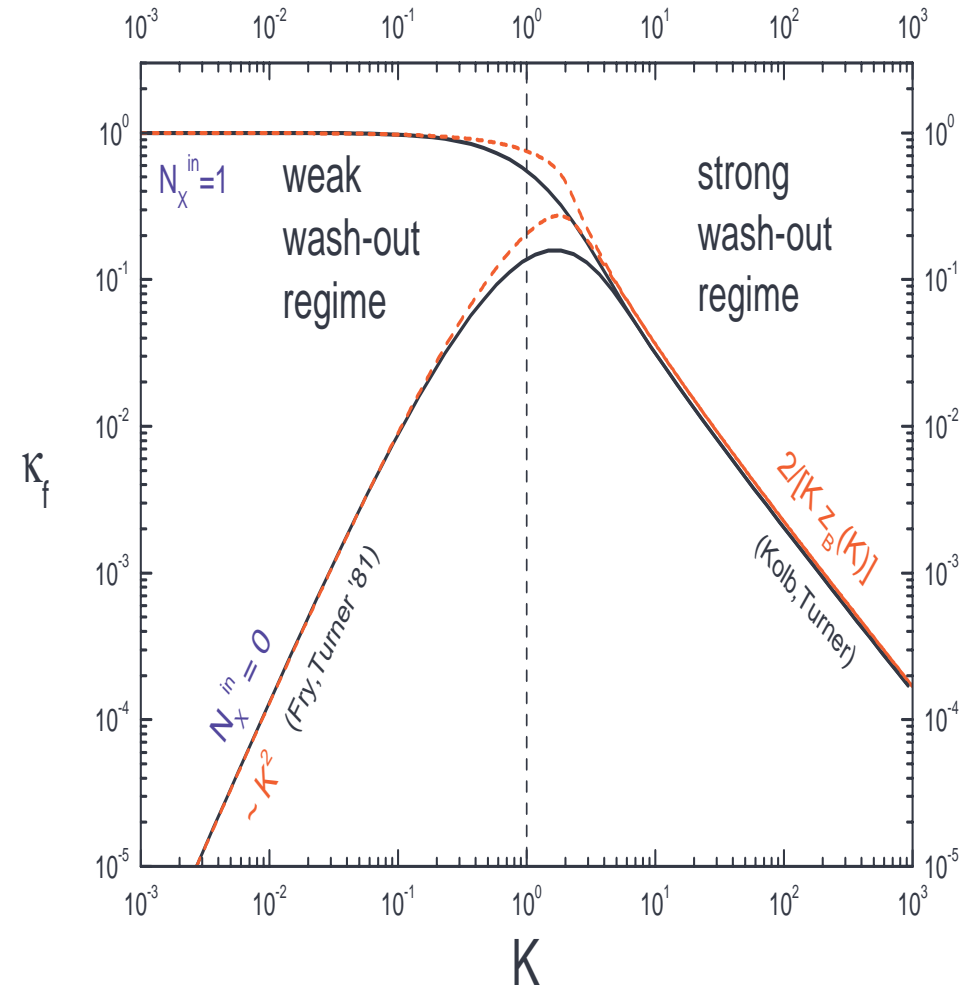
- Initial thermal abundance

$$\kappa_f \simeq \frac{2}{K z_B} \left(1 - e^{-\frac{K z_B}{2}} \right)$$

- Neutrino production

$$\kappa_f^- = -2 e^{-\frac{3\pi}{8} K} \left[e^{\frac{1}{2} K N_X(z_{eq})} - 1 \right]$$

$$\kappa_f^+ = \frac{2}{K z_B} \left[1 - e^{-\frac{1}{2} K z_B N_X(z_{eq})} \right]$$



Negligible (strong) dependence on the initial conditions in the strong (weak) wash-out regime

Seesaw \Rightarrow Leptogenesis

- simple seesaw formula

$$m_\nu = -m_D \frac{1}{M} m_D^T$$

m_D , m_ν and M are complex matrices \Rightarrow natural source of CP violation

- heavy RH neutrino mass matrix $M \Rightarrow$ three new heavy RH neutrinos

$$N_1, N_2 \text{ and } N_3 \text{ with masses } M_{ew} \ll M_1 \leq M_2 \leq M_3$$

- Dirac neutrino mass matrix $m_D \sim M_{ew}$

- light neutrino mass matrix m_ν ($m_\nu = m_D^2/M \sim 10^{-2}$ eV for $M \sim 10^{15}$ GeV)

- lightest RH neutrinos play the role of the decaying particles $X \equiv N_1$ (Fukugita, Yanagida '86)

- total decay rate

$$\Gamma_D^{\text{rest}} = \frac{\tilde{m}_1 M_1^2}{8 \pi v^2}$$

- effective neutrino mass (Plumacher '96)

$$\tilde{m}_1 \equiv \frac{(m_D^\dagger m_D)_{11}}{M_1}$$

- decay parameter and equilibrium neutrino mass (Luty '92; Buchmuller, PDB, Plumacher '03; PDB'04)

$$K = \frac{\Gamma_D^{\text{rest}}}{H|_{z=1}} = \frac{\tilde{m}_1}{m_\star} \quad \left(m_\star = \frac{v^2}{M_\star} \simeq 10^{-3} \text{ eV} \right) \quad \left(M_\star = \frac{3\sqrt{5}}{16\pi^{5/2}} \frac{M_{Pl}}{\sqrt{g_\star}} \simeq 3 \times 10^{16} \text{ GeV} \right)$$

Range of \tilde{m}_1

- A useful tool is given by (Casas, Ibarra '01):

$$\Omega = D_m^{-\frac{1}{2}} U^\dagger m_D D_M^{-\frac{1}{2}} \Rightarrow \boxed{\Omega^T \Omega = I}$$

$$-U^\dagger m_\nu U^* = \text{diag}(m_1, m_2, m_3) \equiv D_m$$

- $\tilde{m}_1 = \frac{(m_D^\dagger m_D)_{11}}{M_1} = \sum_{j=1}^3 m_j |\Omega_{j1}|^2 \geq m_1$

(Fujii, Hamaguchi, Yanagida '02):

- moreover barring strong cancellations:

$$\tilde{m}_1 \leq m_3 \sum_i |\Omega_{j1}^2| \approx m_3 \left| \sum_i \Omega_{j1}^2 \right| = m_3$$

- for fully hierarchical neutrinos ($m_1 \ll m_{\text{sol}}$):

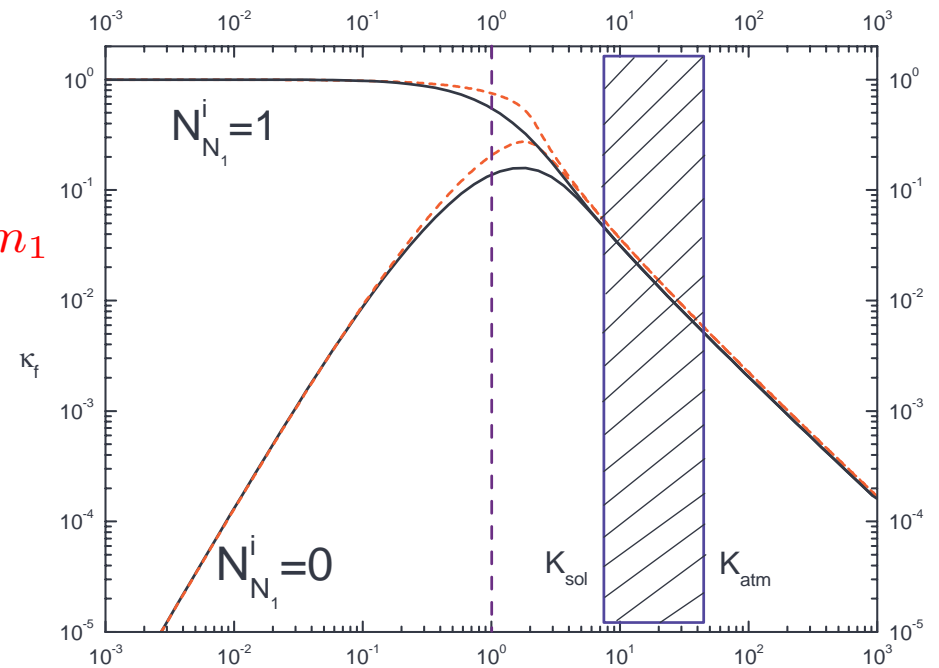
$$\mathcal{O}(m_{\text{sol}} \simeq 0.008 \text{ eV}) < \tilde{m}_1 < \mathcal{O}(m_{\text{atm}} \simeq 0.05 \text{ eV})$$

$$m_{\text{atm,sol}} \equiv \sqrt{\Delta m_{\text{atm,sol}}^2}$$

Leptogenesis K range

Translating \tilde{m}_1 in terms of $K = \tilde{m}_1/m_*$:

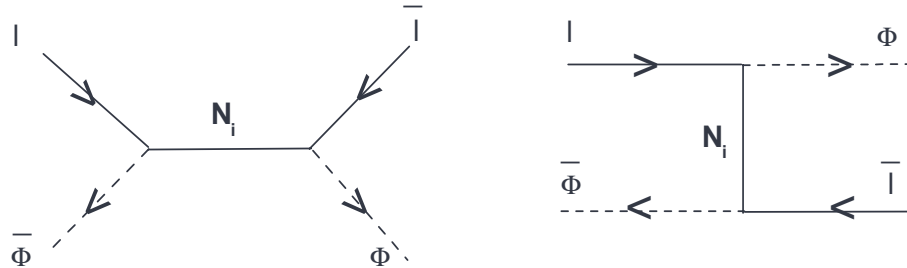
$$\boxed{8 \simeq K_{\text{sol}} \lesssim K \lesssim K_{\text{atm}} \simeq 50}$$



Neutrino mixing data favor leptogenesis

to lie in the **strong wash-out regime**

$\Delta L = 2$ processes



$$\Rightarrow W = W_{ID} + W_{\Delta L=2}$$

One has to be careful not to double count the corresponding on-shell processes:



$$W_{\Delta L=2}(z) = \cancel{W_{\Delta L=2}^{\text{res}}(z)} + \Delta W(z)$$

$$W_{\Delta L=2}^{\text{res}} = \frac{1}{2} W_{ID} \quad !!$$

(Buchmuller, PDB, Plumacher '02)

This term has been indeed found to be **spurious**

(Giudice et al '03;BDP04)

- ΔW is important only in the non relativistic regime

$$\Delta W(z \ll 1) \propto \frac{M_1 \bar{m}^2}{z^2}$$

$$\bar{m}^2 \equiv \sum_i m_{\nu_i}^2$$

- contributes to the upper bound on the absolute neutrino mass scale
- negligible for

$$M_1 \ll 10^{14} \text{ GeV} \frac{m_{\text{atm}}^2}{\bar{m}^2}$$

Scatterings

(Luty'92;Plumacher'97;Buchmuller,PDB,Plumacher'02; Pilaft-
sis,Underwood'03;Giudice et. al.'03)

Two types:

1. involving the **top quark** (Higgs mediated):

$$N_1 l \leftrightarrow t q + \dots$$

2. involving the **g. bosons** (Higgs mediated):

$$N_1 A \leftrightarrow H + \bar{l} + \dots$$

$$\frac{dN_X}{dz} = -(D + S) (N_X - N_X^{\text{eq}})$$

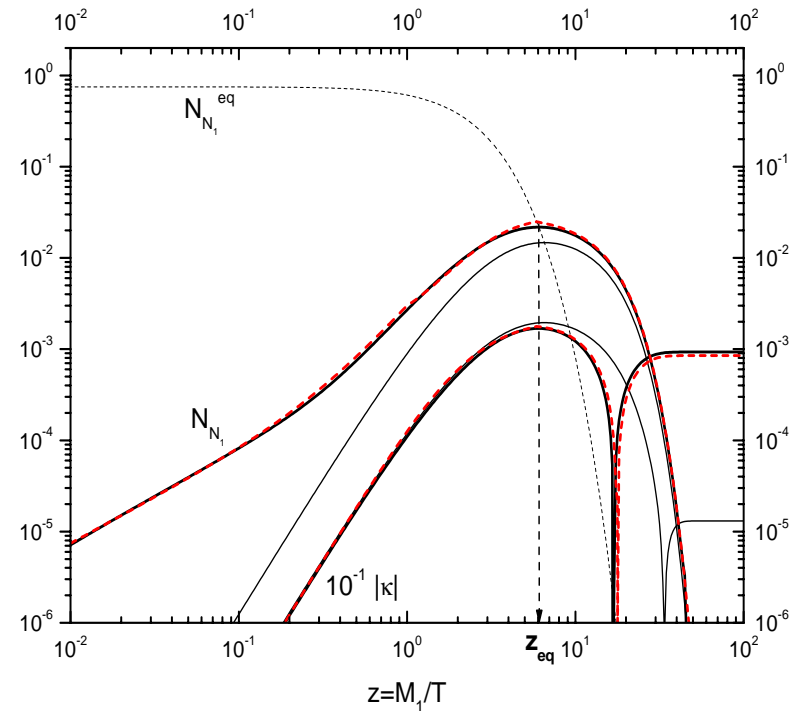
$$\frac{dN_{B-L}}{dz} = -\varepsilon D (N_X - N_X^{\text{eq}}) - (W_{ID} + W_S) N_{B-L}$$

Two effects:

1. in the **weak wash-out regime** enhance the **neutrino production**
2. in the **strong wash-out regime** increase (sub-dominantly) the **wash-out**

Weak wash-out regime ($K \lesssim 1$):

example: $K = 10^{-2}$



strong sensitivity to the theoretical assumptions

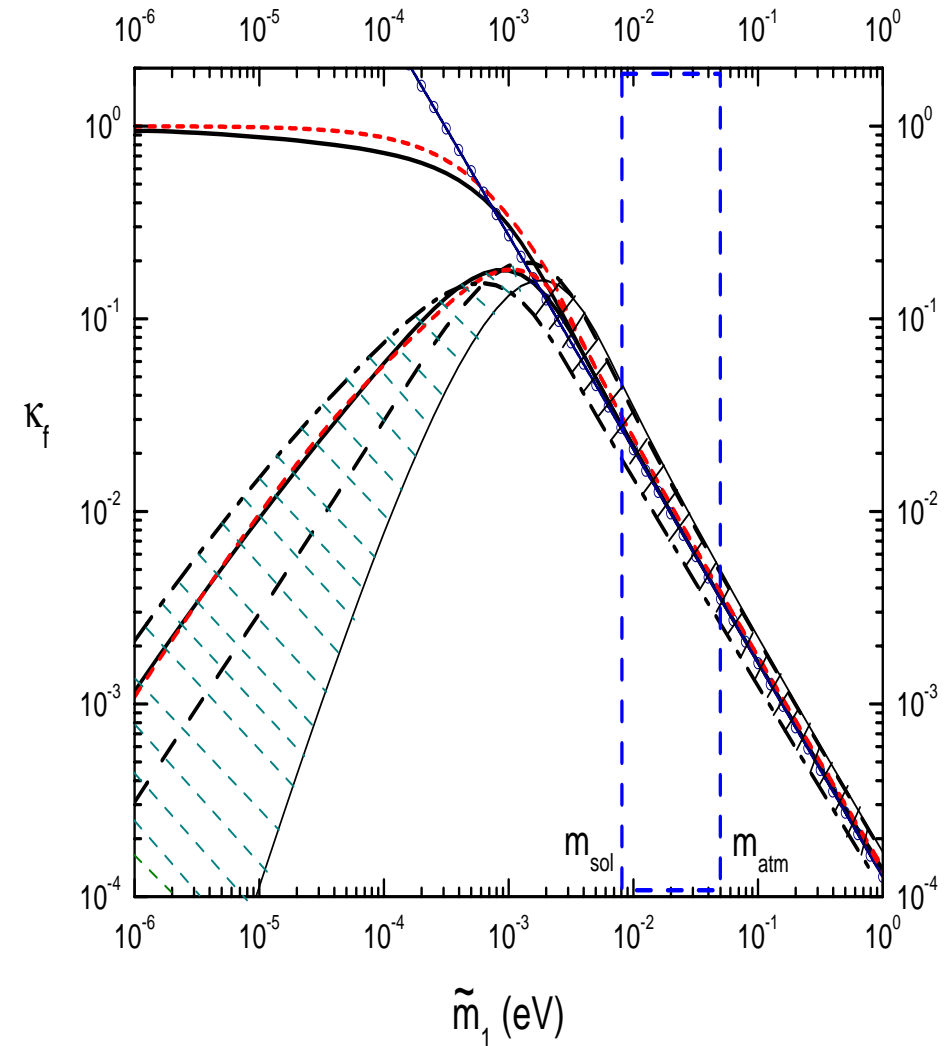
⇒ source of large theoretical uncertainties

Theoretical uncertainties on κ_f

Big changes in the weak wash-out regime:

- I.R. cut-off on the Higgs mass $\Rightarrow \kappa_f \propto K$
(Luty'92,Plumacher'96,Barbieri et. al.'00, Buchmuller,PDB,Plumacher '02,'03)
- thermal corrections to the Higgs mass+ running Yukawa coupling $\Rightarrow \kappa_f \propto K^2$
(Barbieri et. al.'03;Giudice et.al.'03)
- addition of scatterings involving gauge bosons $\Rightarrow \kappa_f \propto K$
(Pilaftsis,Underwood'03;Giudice et.al.'03)
- 'spectator processes' $\Rightarrow \mathcal{O}(1)$ factor suppression (Buchmuller,Plumacher'01)

$\sim 50\%$ uncertainties in the strong wash-out regime



CP asymmetry

- Interference between tree level and (vertex + self energy) one-loop diagrams

$$\Rightarrow \varepsilon_1 \simeq \frac{1}{8\pi v^2 (m_D m_D^\dagger)_{11}} \sum_{i=2,3} \text{Im} \left[(m_D m_D^\dagger)_{i1}^2 \right] \times \left[f_V \left(\frac{M_i^2}{M_1^2} \right) + f_S \left(\frac{M_i^2}{M_1^2} \right) \right]$$

(Flanz,Paschos,Sarkar'95; Covi,Roulet,Vissani'96; Buchmüller,Plümacher'98)

barring strong RH neutrino degeneracies (Davidson,Ibarra'02) and phase cancellations (Hambye et.al.'03):

- Maximum CP asymmetry and effective leptogenesis phase

$$\varepsilon_1 = \varepsilon_1^{\max} \sin \delta_L$$

$$\varepsilon_1^{\max}(m_1, \tilde{m}_1, M_1) \simeq 10^{-6} \frac{M_1}{10^{10} \text{ GeV}} \frac{m_{\text{atm}}}{m_3 + m_1} f(m_1, \tilde{m}_1)$$

(Asaka et al.'99; Hamaguchi,Murayama,Yanagida '01; Davidson, Ibarra '02; Buchmüller,PDB,Plümacher '03)

$$f \leq 1 \text{ and } f|_{m_1=0} = 1 \Rightarrow \text{It is maximum for fully hierarchical neutrinos } (m_1 = 0)$$

CMB bound and the leptogenesis mountain

$$\eta_B^{\max}(m_1, \tilde{m}_1, M_1) \simeq 10^{-2} \varepsilon_1^{\max}(m_1, \tilde{m}_1, M_1) \kappa_f(\tilde{m}_1, M_1 \tilde{m}^2)$$

$$\eta_B = \eta_B^{\max} \sin \delta_L = \eta_B^{CMB}$$

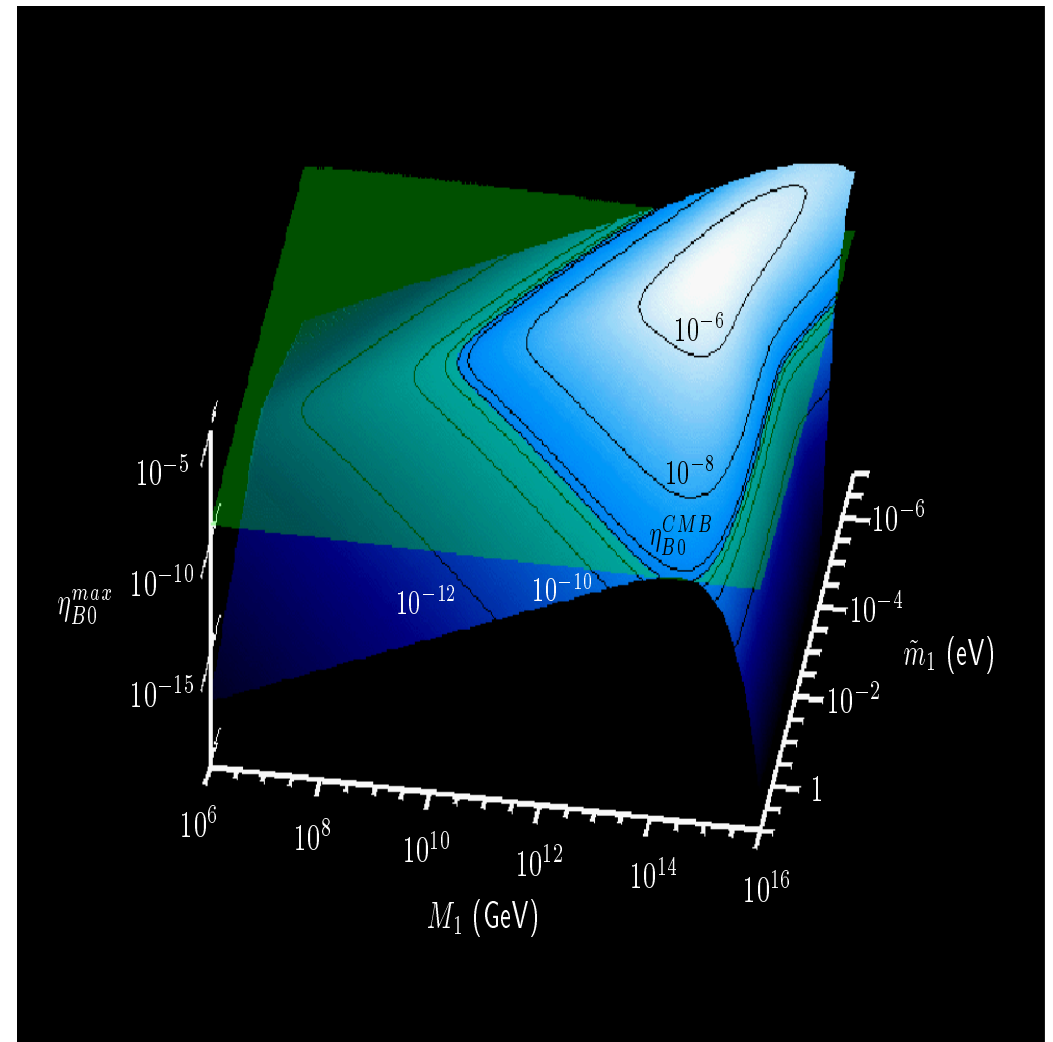
CMB bound:

$$\eta_B^{\max}(m_1, \tilde{m}_1, M_1) \geq \eta_B^{CMB}$$

This is further maximized for $m_1 = 0$:

$$\eta_B^{\max}(\tilde{m}_1, M_1)|_{m_1=0} \geq \eta_B^{CMB}$$

$$\eta_B^{\max}(\tilde{m}_1, M_1)|_{m_1=0} \propto M_1 e^{-\frac{M_1}{10^{14} \text{ GeV}}}$$



Lower bound on the lightest RH neutrino mass M_1

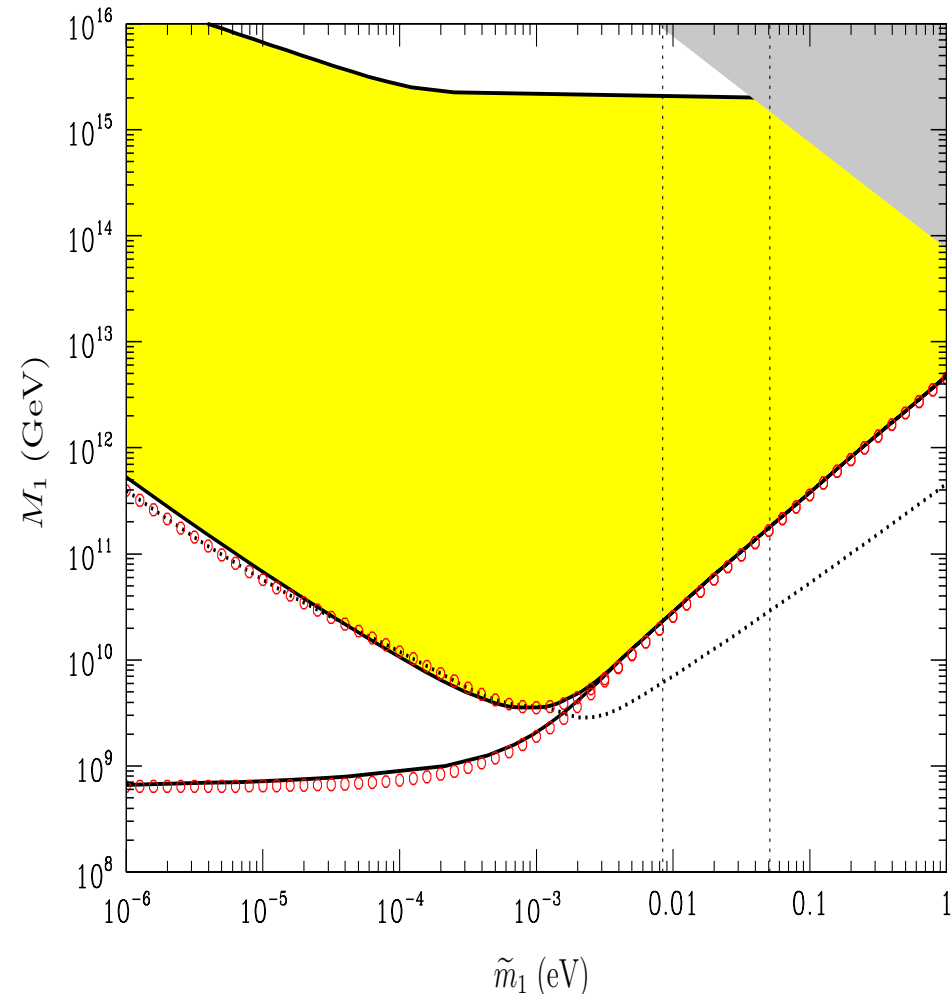
For \tilde{m}_1 between m_{sol} and m_{atm} :

$$M_1 \gtrsim (1.5 \div 10) 10^{10} \text{ GeV}$$

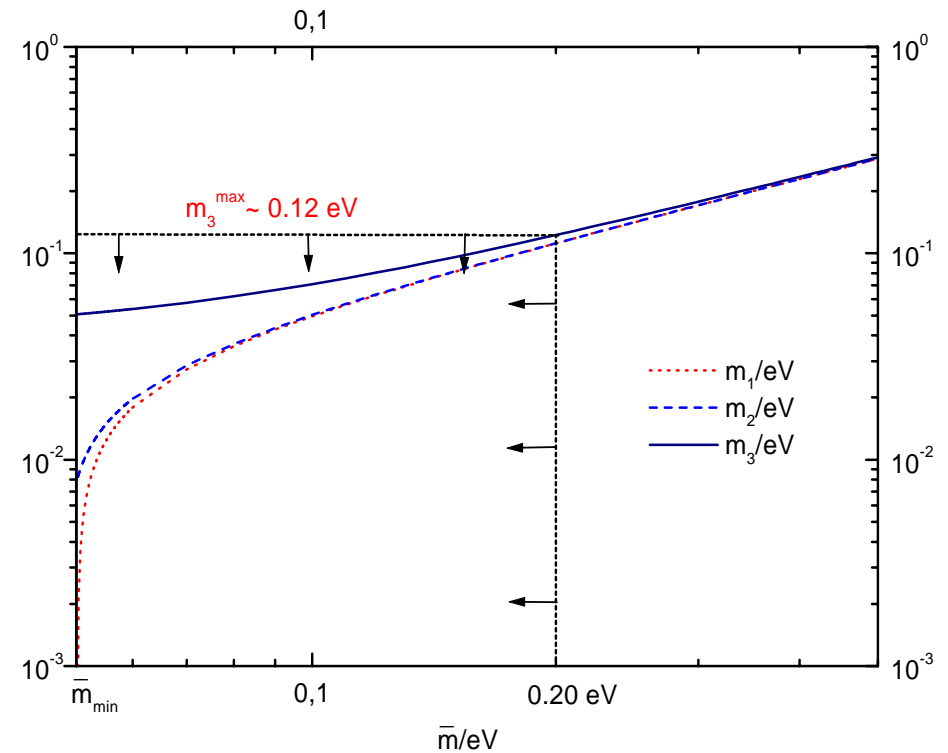
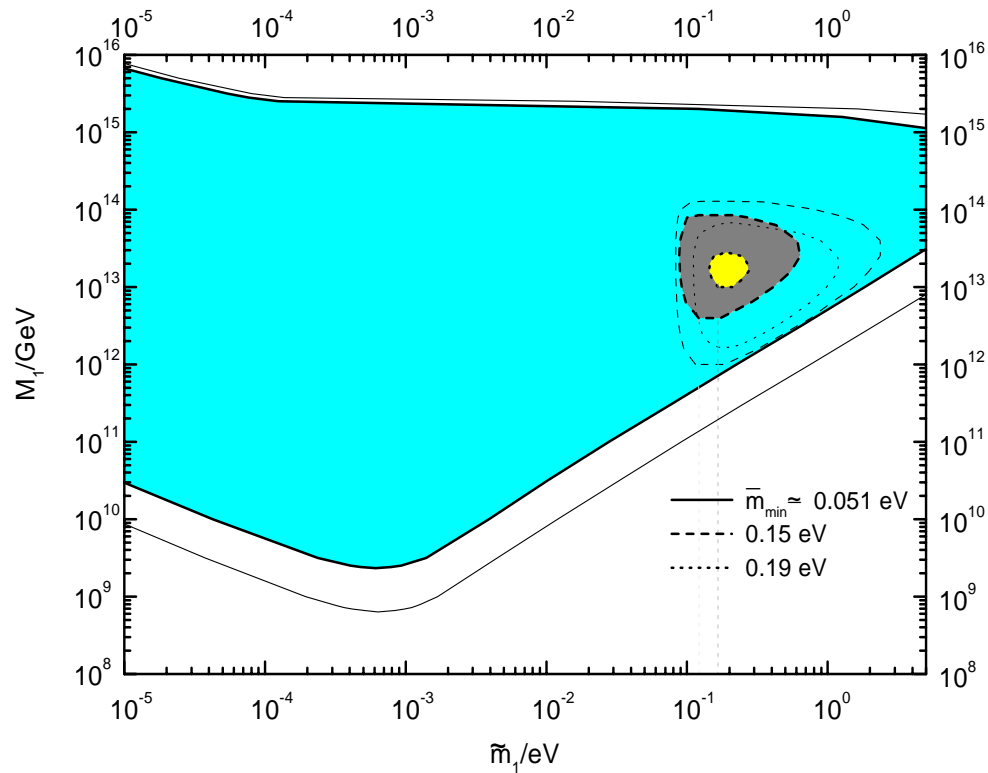
Bound on the 'initial' temperature T_i :

$$T_i \gtrsim \frac{M_1^{\text{min}}(\tilde{m}_1)}{z_B(\tilde{m}_1) - 2} \simeq \frac{M_1^{\text{min}}}{4 \div 6}$$

Within inflation $T_i = T_{\text{reheating}} !!!$



Upper bound on the absolute neutrino mass scale



Analytically one can maximize

$$\eta_B^{\max} \propto \frac{M_1}{\tilde{m}_1} \exp \left\{ -\frac{w}{z_B^2} \frac{M_1}{10^{10} \text{ GeV}} \frac{\bar{m}^2}{\text{eV}} \right\}$$

$$\Rightarrow m_i < \left(\frac{10^{25} g_{\text{rec}} a_{\text{sph}} \pi^6 v^4}{3^{9/2} e M_{\text{PL}}^2 \text{ GeV}^2} \right)^{1/4} \simeq 0.121 \text{ eV}$$

Changing the bounds

$$\eta_B^{\max} \longrightarrow \eta_B^{\max} \xi$$

$$\Rightarrow M_1^{\min}, T_i^{\min} \longrightarrow \frac{M_1^{\min}, T_i^{\min}}{\xi}$$

$$\Rightarrow m_1^{\text{bound}} \longrightarrow m_1^{\text{bound}} \xi^{1/4}$$

The supersymmetric case

Small changes:

$$(M_1^{\min}, T_i^{\min})^{MSSM} \sim 0.7 (M_1^{\min}, T_i^{\min})^{SM}$$

The upper bound on the neutrino mass is practically the same as in the SM within the theoretical uncertainties

$$m_i < 0.11 \text{ eV}$$

Conclusions

- Leptogenesis is **easy** and can be solved analytically **with good accuracy** (within 10%) and important **physical insight**;
- **Neutrino mixing data favor leptogenesis to work in a mildly strong wash-out regime** with predictions independent on initial conditions and with minimal theoretical uncertainties (it resembles SBBN);
- potential **well known problem** with the M_1 and T_{reh} lower bounds
- **prediction: thermal leptogenesis favors hierarchical neutrinos**. Testable with **absolute neutrino mass scale experiments** (CMB+LSS, neutrinoless $\beta\beta$ decay, Tritium β decay); if **quasi degenerate neutrinos** will be found:
 - thermal leptogenesis with strong M_i degeneracies or phase cancellations
 - non thermal leptogenesis (Lazarides, Shafi'91; Murayama, Yanagida'94)
 - type II seesaw leptogenesis